



# Pollution Prevention

## Dental Waste Disposal Checklist



WASTE TYPE	SOURCE	OPTION
Amalgam Particles	Traps, screens, excess mix	1) Send to a recycler 2) Dispose as hazardous waste
Empty Amalgam Capsules		Dispose of in the garbage
Waste Mercury	Spills, spill cleanup	Contact the state health depart. @ 1-800-282-9790
Fixer Scrap film	X-Ray processing	1) Sell, give away, or pay to have silver reclaimed 2) Buy silver recovery system 3) Dispose of as hazardous waste
Developer	X-Ray processing	Discharge to sanitary sewer with pH between 5.5 - 10.5
Combined Fixer/Developer	X-Ray processing	1) Purchase kit to separate fixer and developer. Then use options individually listed for fixer and developer
Chromium Container X-Ray System Cleaners	X-Ray system cleaning	1) Switch to non-chrome cleaners 2) Dispose of as hazardous waste
Disinfectants	Used	Discharge to sanitary sewer with pH between 5.5 -10.5
Chemiclave Chemicals	Used New	Discharge to sewer Give to another office to use
Lead Foils and Shield	Lead foil film packets and protective shields	1) Send to metal reclaimer 2) Dispose of as hazardous waste
Blood: Liquid Dripping swabs, etc Dried swabs, etc		1) Discharge to sewer 2) Dispose of as infectious waste 3) Dispose of as garbage
Sharp Objects		Dispose of as infectious waste
Office Waste	All types of paper, cardboard	Recycle as much as possible

**Printed on Post Consumer, Nondeinked Recycled Paper**



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**Dental Waste Recycling and Disposal Options**

**MERCURY : Scrap - Amalgam Recyclers**

Central Recycling Co P.O. Box 9844 Kansas City, MO 1-800-359-9720	Recyclights 401 W. 86th St. Bloomington, Mn 1-800-831-2852	Some local metal reclaiming facilities may take waste amalgam. Be sure to ask if they have a process that recovers the mercury, so that the mercury is not just released into the environment.
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**LEAD: Foil, Shields, Aprons**

American Can 1410 E. 21st St. N. Wichita, KS (316) 269-3748	Kamen, Inc 800 E. 21st St. N. Wichita, KS (316) 262-1475	Novick 1007 E. 21st. St. N. Wichita, KS (316) 265-6661	Wichita Iron & Metal 922 Merton St. Wichita, KS (316) 267-3291	Glickman=s Inc. 410 E. 25th St. N. Wichita, KS (316) 838-9381
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**SILVER: Fixer Reclaimers, Scrap film, Recovery Services**

Custom Recovery Service 3740 W. 15th St. N Wichita, KS (316) 522-1876	N. T. & H. Enterprises 609 McNair St. Halstead, KS (316) 835-2088	Central Recycling Co P.O. Box 9844 Kansas City, MO 1-800-359-9720	X-Rite, Inc 3100 44th St. SW Grandville, MI (616) 534-7663
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**MEDICAL WASTE DISPOSAL OPTIONS**

Treated or sterilized medical waste can be sent to the permitted sanitary landfill  
 Untreated medical waste needs to be Ared bagged= and can only be sent to the landfill will special authorization.  
 Call the landfill at 722-9410 for more information on disposal authorization  
 Dispose through a medical waste disposal company such as: BFI @ 838-5885, ERS @ 1-800-246-7786  
 Dispose of as a hazardous waste  
 Incinerate

**\*\*Documentation that includes date, type and quantity of material recycled should be provided by the recycler and kept on file by the generator.**

The Health Department offers a non-regulatory, voluntary pollution prevention evaluation or consultation service for interested businesses. This program also includes a hazardous waste disposal option for qualified businesses. For more information, call 268-8351.

***The Health Department does not endorse or take responsibility for any of the above listed businesses. Dental.lst 8/98***